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"An Evening of Jazz and Kwanzaa" on Tuesday, Dec. 4, 2012, at 7 p.m. in Kiehle Auditorium with Flutist Galen Abdur-Razzaq

*By Itollefs on Friday, November 30, 2012*Flutist Galen Abdur Razzaq of Flutejuice Productions will perform on Tuesday, December 4, 2012, at 7 p.m. in the Kiehle Auditorium at the University of Minnesota, Crookston. The event, "An Evening of Jazz and Kwanzaa" will include several jazz selections as well as a presentation of the Kwanza ceremony. Galen Abdur-Razzaq, a talented and extraordinary flutist from Montclair, N.J., has performed both domestically and internationally for more than thirty years. A former student of the Berklee College of Music, Boston, Mass., and a graduate of Rutgers University, New Brunswick, N.J., Galen holds a master's degree in fine arts and education. He is an arranger, composer, director, educator, and writer. Kwanzaa is a week-long celebration honoring African heritage and based on seven core principles known as Nguzo Saba, including unity, self-determination, collective work and responsibility, cooperative economics, purpose, creativity, and faith. It was first celebrated in 1966-67 and was created as the first specifically African-American holiday to reconnect African Americans with their African culture and historical heritage. Today the University of Minnesota, Crookston delivers 26 bachelor's degree programs, 18 minors, and 39 concentrations on campus--as well as 10 degrees online--in the areas of agriculture and natural resources; business; liberal arts and education; and math, science and technology. With an enrollment of 1,800 undergraduates from 25 countries and 40 states, the Crookston campus offers a supportive, close-knit atmosphere that leads to a prestigious University of Minnesota degree. "Small Campus. Big Degree." To learn more, visit www.umcrookston.edu.

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